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FOLLOWING AN EXPLOSIVE BATTLE WITH THE EVIL DR. EGGMAN, SONIC THE HEDGEHOG AND HIS HEROIC FRIENDS WERE BLASTED AWAY FROM THEIR HOME TO AN ALTERNATE EARTH IN ANOTHER DIMENSION... UNFORTUNATELY, EGGMAN CAME ALONG FOR THE RIDE! NOW, SONIC AND THE OTHERS MUST DEFEND THEIR NEW HOME OF STATION SQUARE FROM THEIR EGG-SHAPED NEMESIS IN...

SPEED LINES!

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HEADQUARTERS...

WHY?!

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WHY?!

WHY?!

WHY?!

WHY?!

WHY IS THAT...
THAT WRETCHED
HEDGEHOG ABLE TO
FOIL MY PLANS EACH
AND EVERY
TIME?



OF COURSE!
SONIC ALWAYS
WINS!

... "ALWAYS
WINS" ?!



WHY, YOU UN-
GRATEFUL
BUCKETS OF
BOLTS! I'LL
HAVE YOUR--



THIS IS SCARLET GARCIA
COMING TO YOU LIVE FROM
STATION SQUARE, WHERE
AN EMPTY CITY TROLLEY
HAS ACCIDENTALLY LOST
CONTROL!



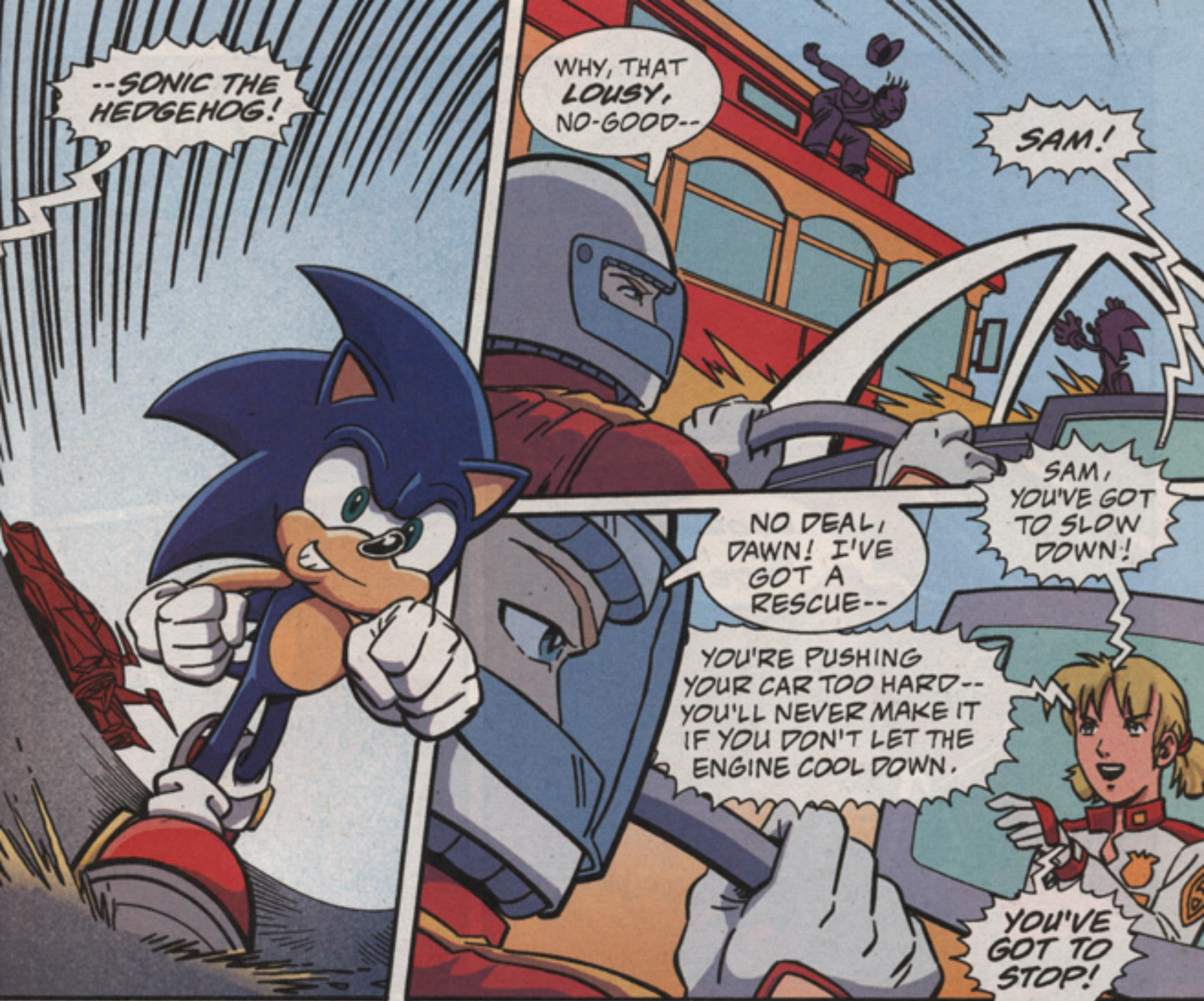
BOCOE, DECOE-- MOVE ASIDE,
YOU TIN-PLATED TWITS!

OFFICER
SAM SPEED
IS ON THE
SCENE...



... ALONG
WITH STATION
SQUARE'S
FASTEST
HERO--





--SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!

WHY, THAT LOUSY, NO-GOOD--

SAM!

NO DEAL, DAWN! I'VE GOT A RESCUE--

SAM, YOU'VE GOT TO SLOW DOWN!

YOU'RE PUSHING YOUR CAR TOO HARD-- YOU'LL NEVER MAKE IT IF YOU DON'T LET THE ENGINE COOL DOWN.

YOU'VE GOT TO STOP!



AND LET THAT HEDGEHOG BEAT ME AGAIN?!

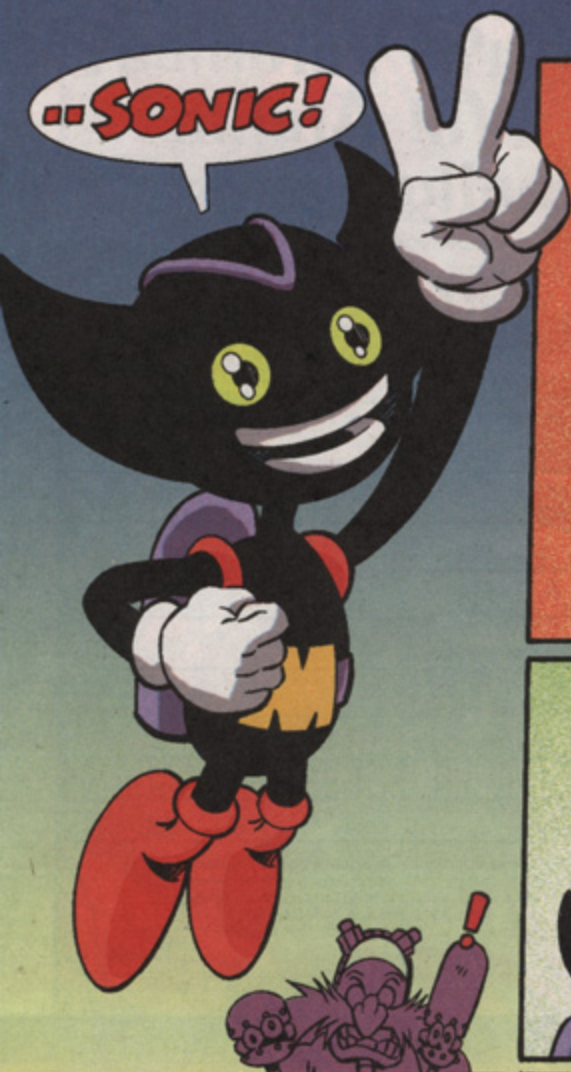


I DON'T THINK S--

WHAT WAS THAT?!

CLANK!





Errr... Uh...
SORRY, DR.
EGGMAN,

I DIDN'T MEAN
TO GET SO EXCITED...
I THINK I MIGHT HAVE
HAD A BIT TOO MUCH
CANDY...



A SUGAR
HIGH, eh?

I'VE GOT
JUST THE REMEDY
FOR THAT.



Ulp!



WE JUST NEED TO BRING
YOU BACK DOWN TO
EARTH!



NOOOOOOOO!

ZIP!

NOW, WHERE
WERE
WE?



WE WERE JUST
APOLOGIZING FOR
DISTRACTING YOU,
OH, MAGNIFICENT
SIR!

YEAH, WE
DIDN'T MEAN
TO ANNOY
YOU WITH
OUR LOVE
OF REALITY
TV.

OH, ON
THE CONTRARY,
MY METALLIC
MINIONS, THIS
LITTLE DIVERSION...

...IS JUST WHAT
THE DOCTOR
ORDERED!

BWAH-
HA-HA!



YOU DID IT, SONIC! YOU SAVED THE DAY AGAIN!

HEY, WHAT CAN I SAY, CHRIS? SAVIN' THE DAY IS WHAT I DO BEST!

LET'S CELEBRATE! WHO'S UP FOR ICE CREAM AT MY HOUSE?

I'LL RACE YOU THERE, BUDDY!

THIS STINKS!

WELL, THANK GOODNESS YOU'RE SAFE. IT COULD'VE BEEN A LOT WORSE.

ARE YOU KIDDING ME?!

HEY, DON'T TAKE IT OUT ON THE CAR!

WHUMP

THE CAR?! IF IT WASN'T FOR THIS POORLY MAINTAINED HUNK OF JUNK--

HUNK OF JUNK?! DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA HOW MUCH TIME S-TEAM PUT INTO THAT CAR?

IF YOU HAD JUST LISTENED TO ME IN THE FIRST PLACE, YOU WOULDN'T BE IN THIS MESS!

YOU KNOW, LATELY YOU'VE BEEN ACTING LIKE A REAL JERK, SAM, AND YOU CAN'T BLAME THE CAR-- OR SONIC-- FOR THAT!

I THINK YOU CAN WAIT FOR THE TOW TRUCK BY YOURSELF. PAUL AND I HAVE AN APPOINTMENT TO HELP AT THE REFINERY, ANYWAY.

MAYBE YOU'LL HAVE TIME TO THINK ABOUT WHAT IT WAS LIKE WHEN WE WORKED AS A TEAM.

SCREECH!

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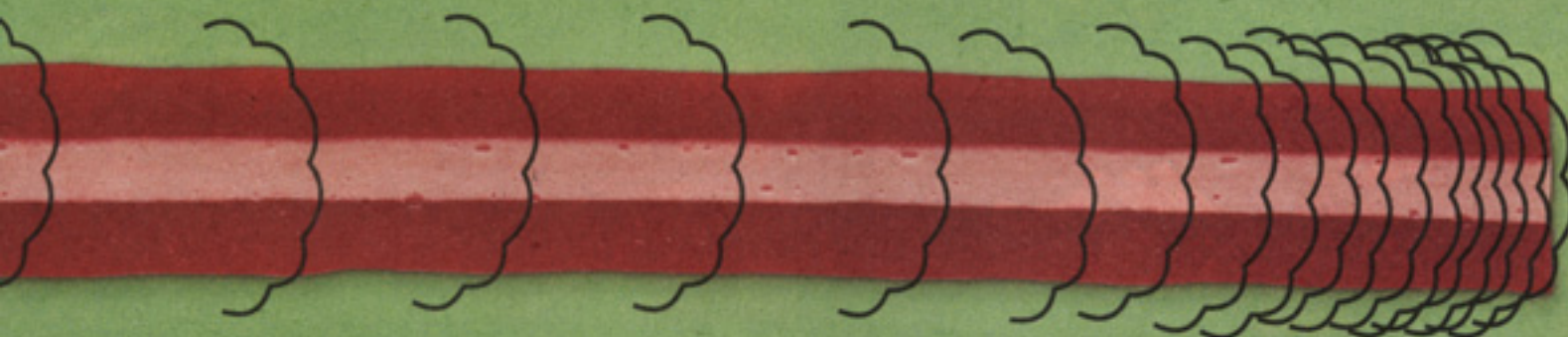
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SIDE!

MAKE WAY!

SKREEE!

Whoa!

WHO
ARE
YOU?

WHY... EH... I'M A
CONCERNED CITIZEN AND
FELLOW SPEED FREAK--ROBBIE
NICK, AT YOUR SERVICE. MY
MONSTROUS GARAGE ORGANI-
ZATION HAS GOT QUITE THE
OFFER FOR YOU, MR. SPEED.

AN
OFFER?

YES. WE'RE BIG FANS OF YOUR
DO-GOODING WAYS, AND WE'RE
TIRED OF SEEING YOUR TEAM'S
SHODDY WORKMANSHIP COST YOU
RACE AFTER RACE AGAINST THAT
SECOND-RATE EXCUSE FOR
A HERO, SONIC!

WE WANT TO BUILD YOU
A CAR THAT WILL LET YOU
TAKE BACK THE TOP
SPOT IN STATION
SQUARE!

YOU DO
WANT TO BE
THE FASTEST
HERO ON THE
HIGHWAY
AGAIN...

...DON'T
YOU?

ALL RIGHT,
I'LL DO IT.

THAT'S WHAT
I WANTED
TO HEAR!

GET IN AND WE'LL TAKE
YOU TO OUR HIGHLY
ADVANCED FACILITY...



THIS IS YOUR "HIGHLY ADVANCED FACILITY"?

WE PUT THE VALUELESS PIECES OF GREEN PAPER WHERE THEY REALLY MAKE THE DIFFERENCE...



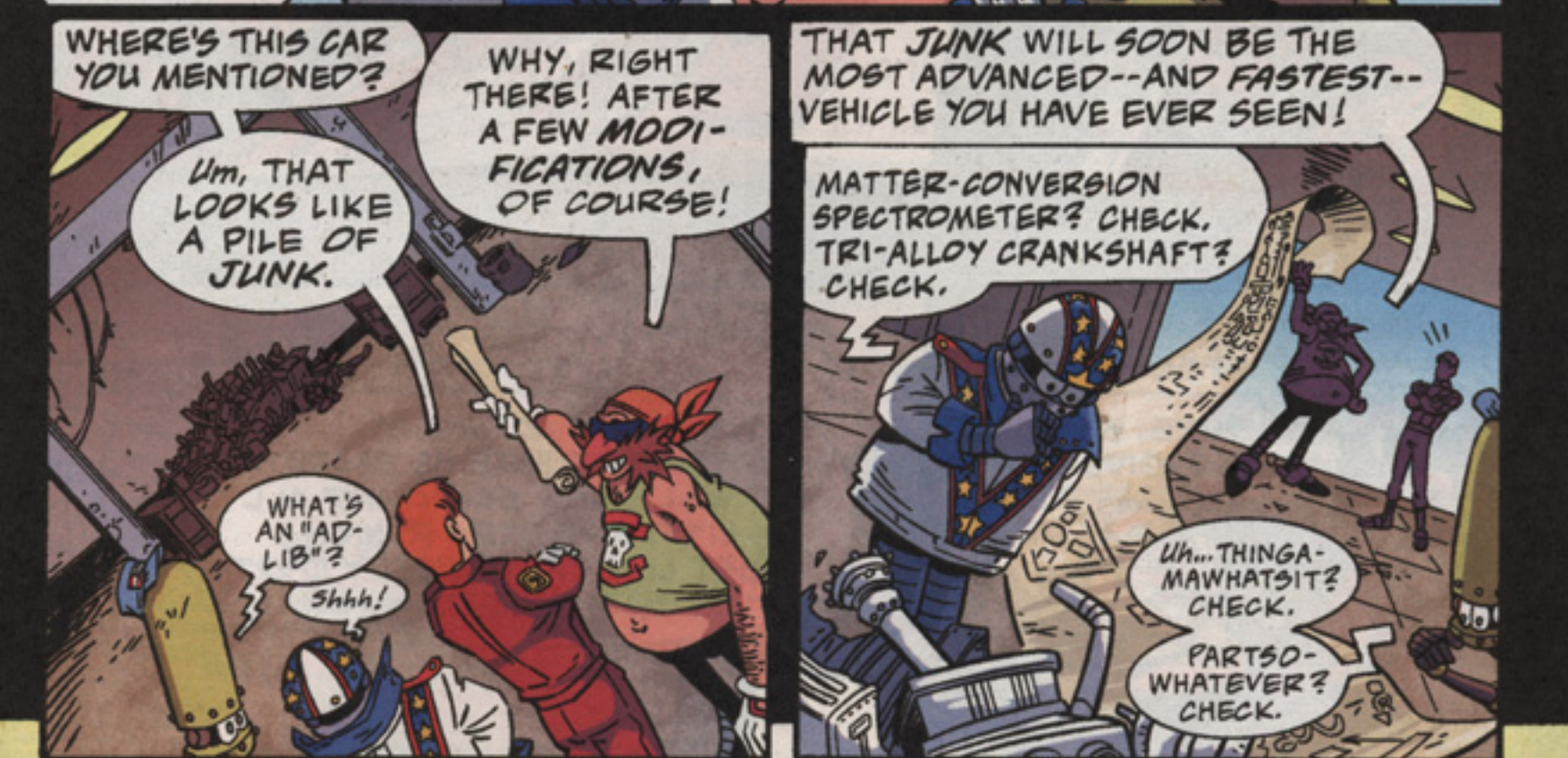
OF COURSE, MEET MY MECHANICS...



BO AND DEE, THE FINEST PIT CREW IN ALL OF STATION SQUARE! PERHAPS THE FINEST IN THIS WHOLE MISERABLE DIMENSION!

Ahem, EGGMAN, SIR, I THINK YOU SHOULD STICK TO THE SCRIPT AND CUT THE AD-LIBS.

JUST GIVE ME THE PLANS, BOCOE! ALL THIS SMILING IS MAKING MY FACE FEEL LIKE IT'S GOING TO BREAK IN TWO!



WHERE'S THIS CAR YOU MENTIONED?

WHY, RIGHT THERE! AFTER A FEW MODIFICATIONS, OF COURSE!

Um, THAT LOOKS LIKE A PILE OF JUNK.

WHAT'S AN "AD-LIB"?

Shhh!

THAT JUNK WILL SOON BE THE MOST ADVANCED--AND FASTEST--VEHICLE YOU HAVE EVER SEEN!

MATTER-CONVERSION SPECTROMETER? CHECK. TRI-ALLOY CRANKSHAFT? CHECK.

UH... THINGA-MAWHATSI? CHECK.

PARTS-O-WHATEVER? CHECK.



I BELIEVE THE PATIENT IS ALMOST READY.

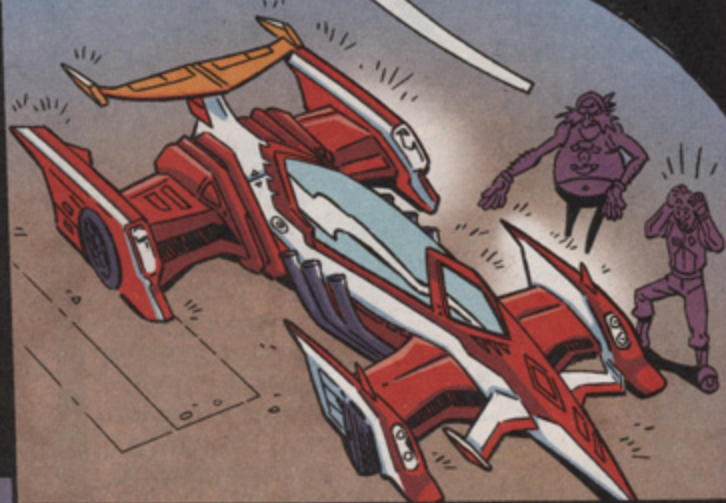
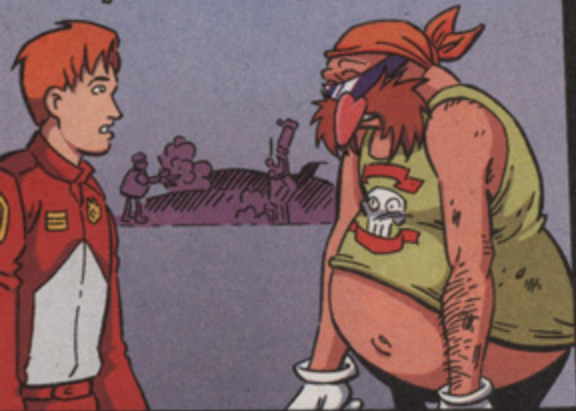
VZZZ VZZZ!

SOON...

WELL?
HOW
DID IT
GO?

I'M AFRAID
YOU'LL HAVE TO
BE THE JUDGE
OF THAT...

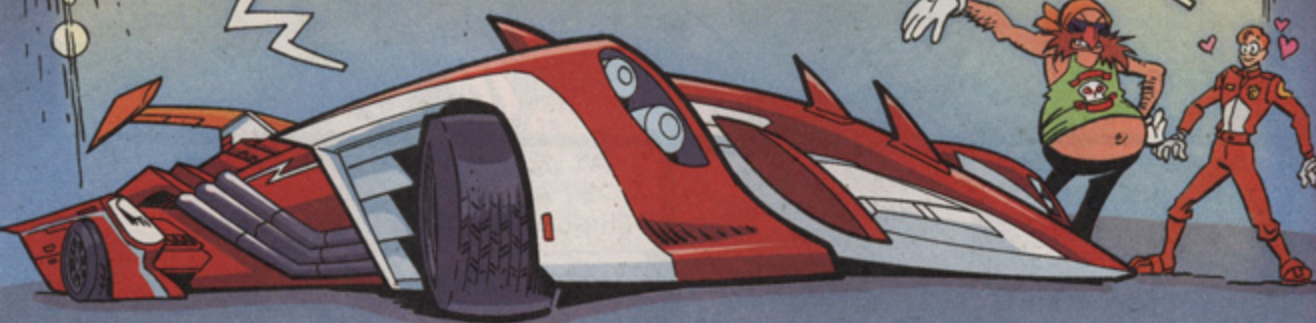
... WHEN
YOU MEET THE
SPEED 5000!



--THE SAPPHIRE
SEA REFINERY IS
SENDING AN URGENT
S.O.S.--ALL AVAILABLE
FIRE RESCUE UNITS,
PLEASE RESPOND.

THIS IS INCREDIBLE!
BUILT-IN COMPUTERS
MONITOR ALL EMERGENCY
BROADCASTS, AROUND
THE CLOCK!

Huh?



THE REFINERY IS WHERE THE
S-TEAM WAS HEADED! I'VE
GOT TO GO!

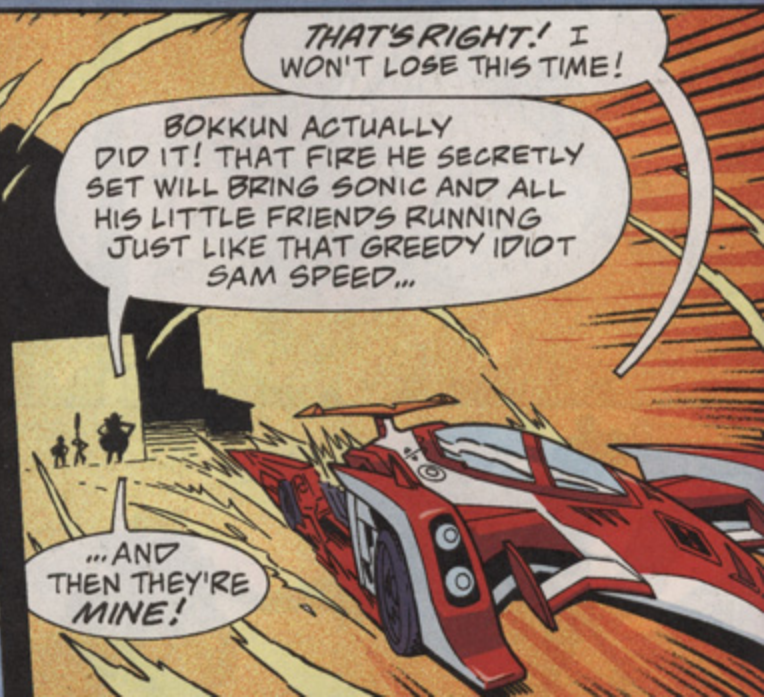
SURE, WHY
NOT? GIVE IT A
TEST
DRIVE!

YOU ARE
STATION SQUARE'S
NUMBER-ONE HERO,
AREN'T YOU?

THAT'S RIGHT! I
WON'T LOSE THIS TIME!

BOKKUN ACTUALLY
DID IT! THAT FIRE HE SECRETLY
SET WILL BRING SONIC AND ALL
HIS LITTLE FRIENDS RUNNING
JUST LIKE THAT GREEDY IDIOT
SAM SPEED...

...AND
THEN THEY'RE
MINE!





ON THE
REFINERY...

DID THE
RESCUE SIGNAL
GO OUT?

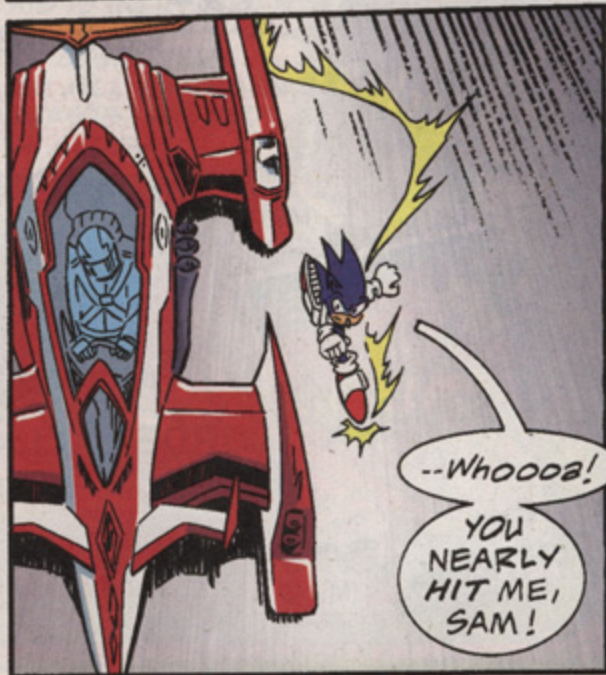
I--I THINK SO!
HOPEFULLY...



"SONIC
WILL
GET IT!"

YOU
HEARD THE
MESSAGE--
THERE'S
TROUBLE
AT THE
REFINERY!

COME
ON, TEAM!
READY,
GO--



--Whoaaa!

YOU
NEARLY
HIT ME,
SAM!



SORRY, SONIC--YOU WERE
MOVING SO **SLOW** THAT I
ALMOST DIDN'T NOTICE
YOU. YOU READY FOR
A REMATCH?

IF IT GETS OUR FRIENDS
RESCUED QUICKER, I'M
ALL FOR IT!



THEN
LET'S
DO IT!

I'LL TELL S-TEAM
YOU'RE COMING,
SAM!

GO, SONIC!
GO! YAAA--



NOT IF I GET THERE FIRST!

--AAAY?



SONIC, WH-WHAT HAPPENED?

I... I DON'T KNOW, TAILS!

AND I DON'T CARE...



"...ALL THAT REALLY COUNTS IS THAT ONE OF US GETS THERE IN TIME TO HELP!"

OH, NO! I WAS SO CAUGHT UP IN TRYING TO BEAT SONIC THAT I DIDN'T THINK ABOUT HOW I'D ACTUALLY GET TO THE REFINERY!



WHAT JUST A LITTLE WAY TO THE--? KEEP IN TOUCH WHILE YOU'RE LEARNING THE ROPES. WHY DON'T YOU TRY PRESSING THE GREEN SWITCH TO YOUR LEFT?



WINGS! YOU'RE A GENIUS!

POP!

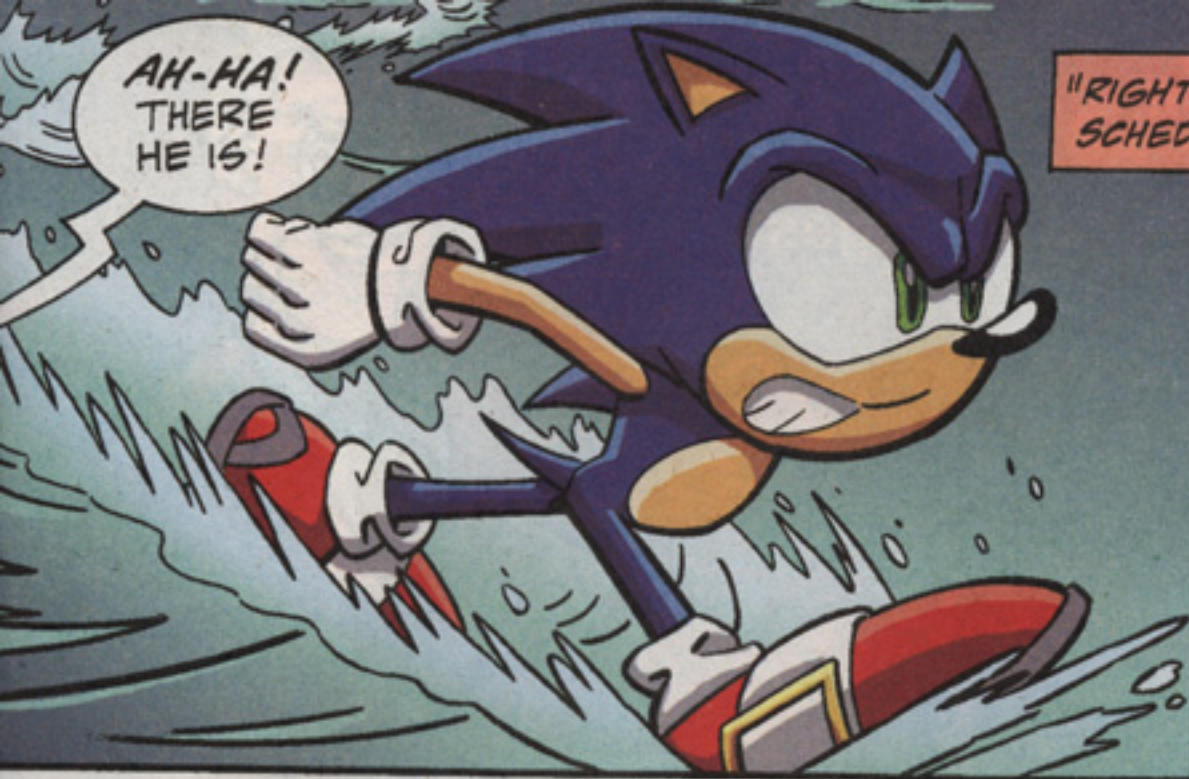


THIS IS AWESOME!

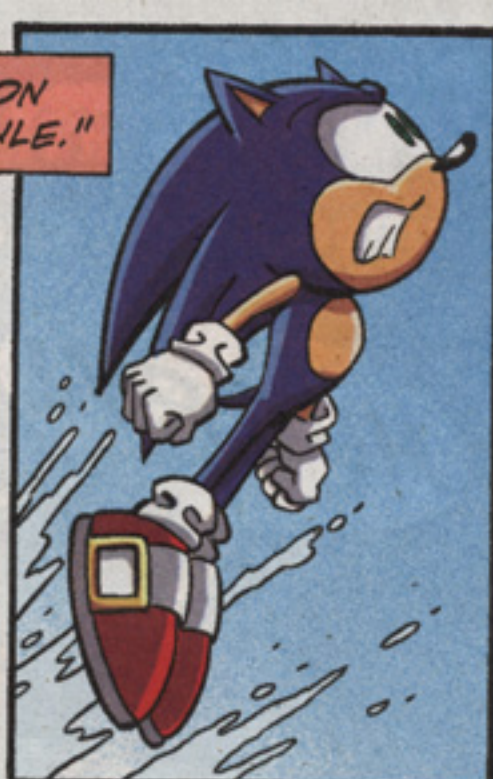
SAM'S NEW CAR CAN FLY AND FIGHT FIRES!

Hmph.

BUT WHERE'S SONIC?



"RIGHT ON SCHEDULE."



AND FOR THAT MATTER, WHERE'S SAM?



LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE A LITTLE TOO LATE, THOUGH! TRUE, I DIDN'T REALLY NEED YOUR HELP...

...BUT IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN COOL FOR YOU TO WATCH.



YOU PUT THE WHOLE THING OUT YOURSELF, WOW! THAT NEW RIDE OF YOURS IS PRETTY COOL.



DON'T GO BOOSTING HIS EGO ANY MORE, SONIC.

Whoa?

YEAH, WE MIGHT'VE BEEN BETTER OFF WITH THE FIRE.

HEY, WHAT GIVES?! WHY AREN'T THEY CONGRATULATING ME? I DID SAVE THE DAY, AFTER ALL. AM I REALLY ACTING LIKE THAT MUCH OF A JERK?

WAIT A SEC...

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?! THE VEHICLE ISN'T RESPONDING...

ALMOST FEELS LIKE I'M LOSING CONTROL --

CLICK!
TIK
TAK!

OH, YOU'VE ALREADY LOST IT, MY GOOD BOY! I'M CALLING THE SHOTS NOW!

ROBBIE NICK?!

NOT QUITE,

THANKS TO YOU, I HAVE THAT FOUL HEDGEHOG RIGHT WHERE I WANT HIM! HA HA HA!

DR. EGGMAN!

COMPUTER, ALL WEAPONS ON-LINE, TARGET...

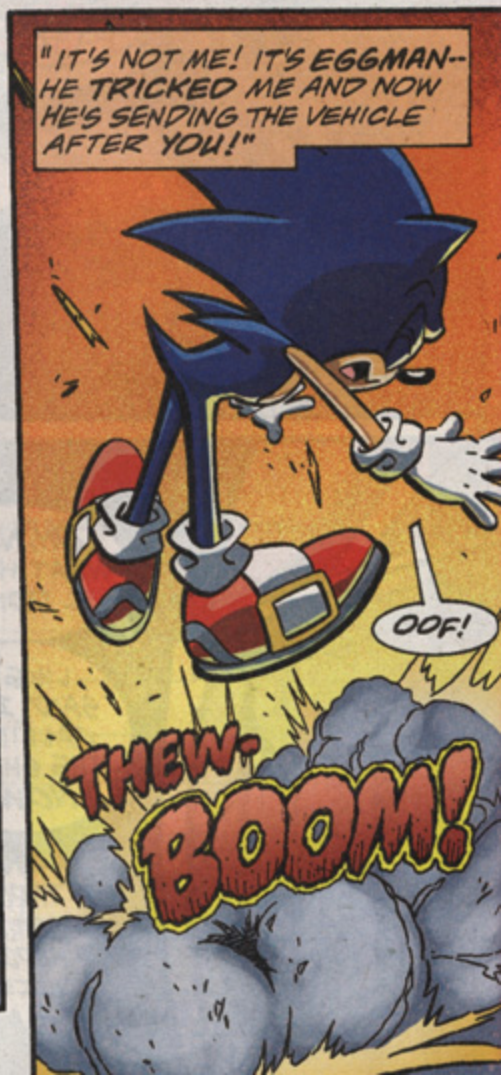
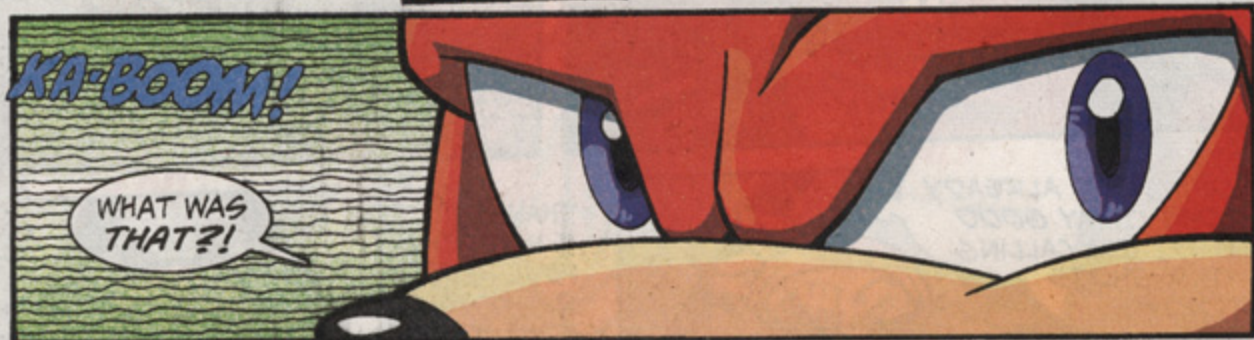
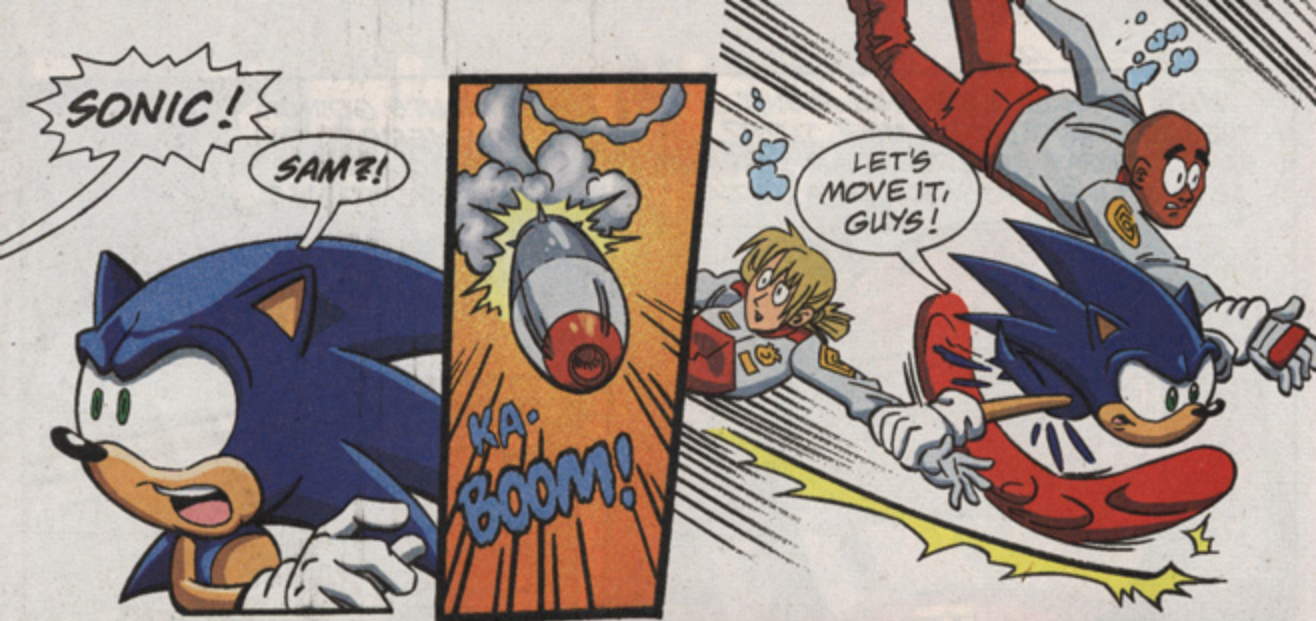
...SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!

OH, NO! WHAT HAVE I DONE?!

LIKE I SAID, I'M CALLING THE SHOTS NOW!

TARGET:
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG...
LOCKED...

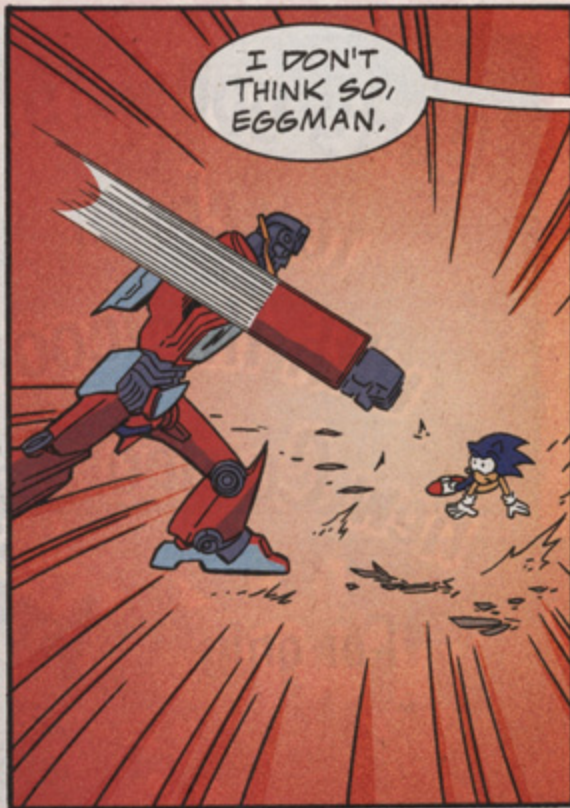








GAME
OVER,
SONIC!



I DON'T
THINK SO,
EGGMAN.



SONIC
MIGHT
BE A
SHOW-
OFF...

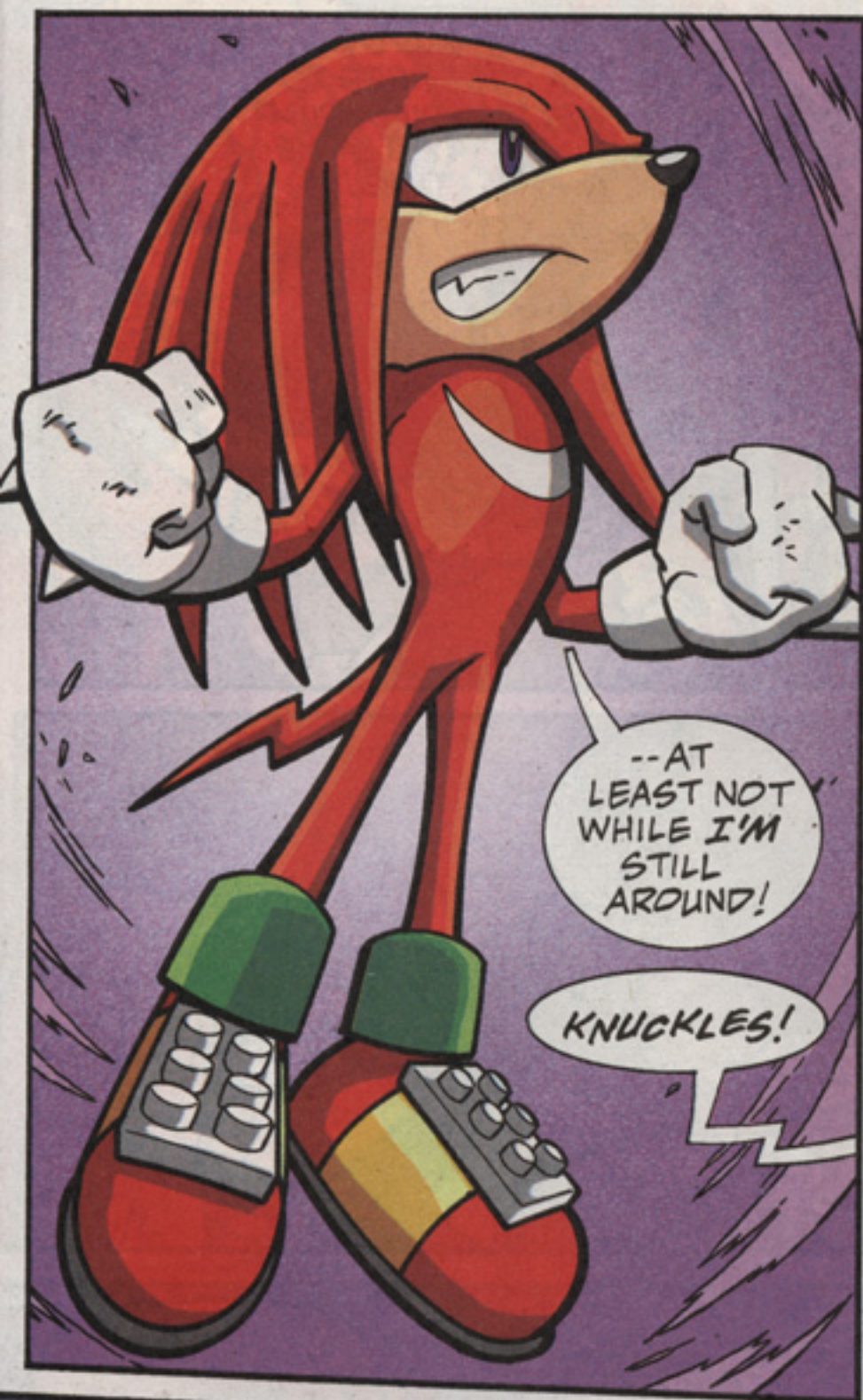


NOT TO
MENTION A LOUD-
MOUTH...



BUT NO
OVER-SIZED
TIN CAN IS
GETTING THE
DROP ON
HIM--

WHAT?!



--AT
LEAST NOT
WHILE I'M
STILL
AROUND!

KNUCKLES!



SAY
GOODNIGHT,
BUCKET-
HEAD!



YOU OKAY?

YEAH, I'LL
SURVIVE.

ME--
RESCUED!
HOW EMBAR-
RASSING!



KNUCKLES... I SHOULD
HAVE KNOWN WE WERE
TOO CLOSE TO HIS
HOME, ANGEL ISLAND.

OH,
WELL...

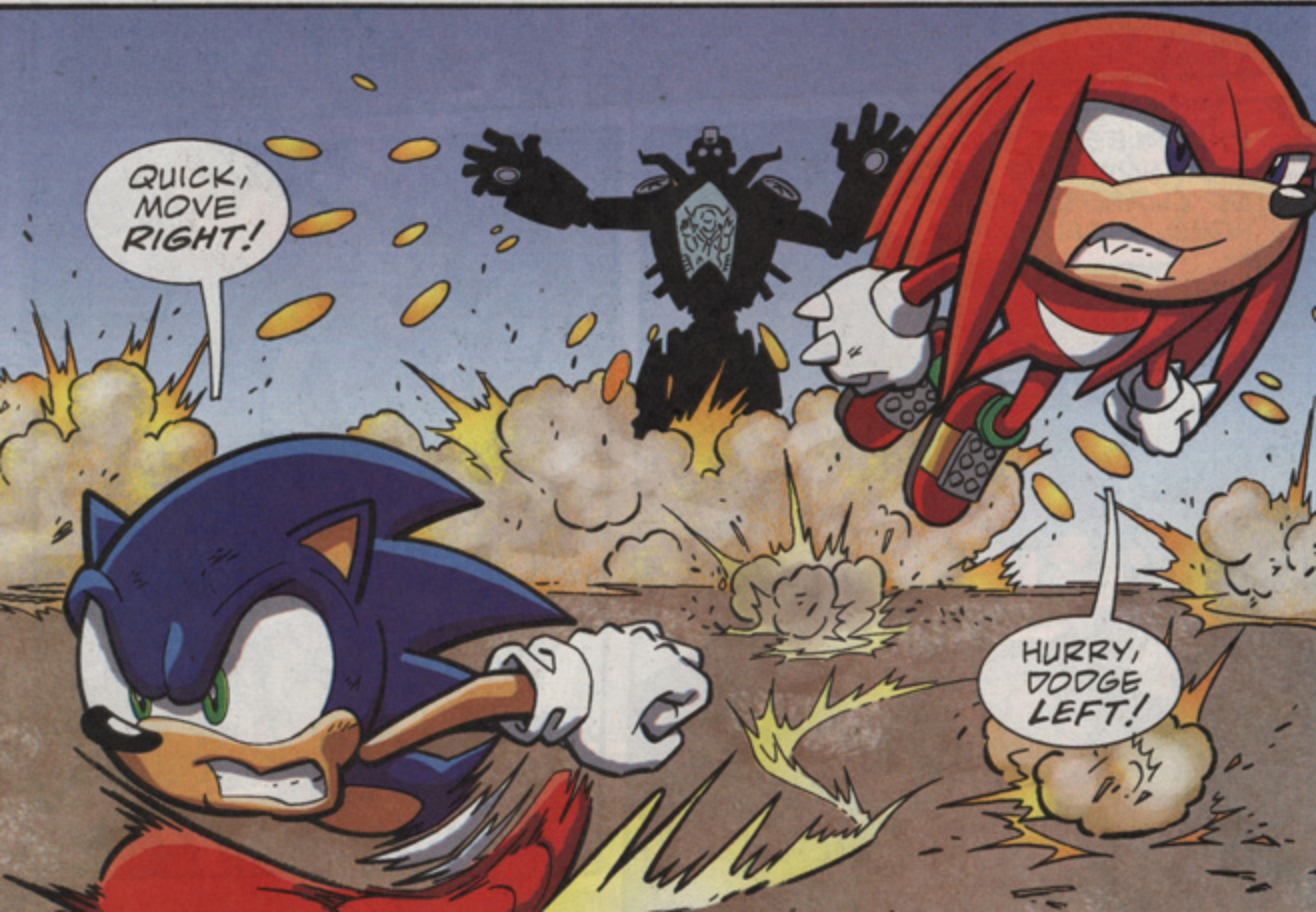
N-CHRR!

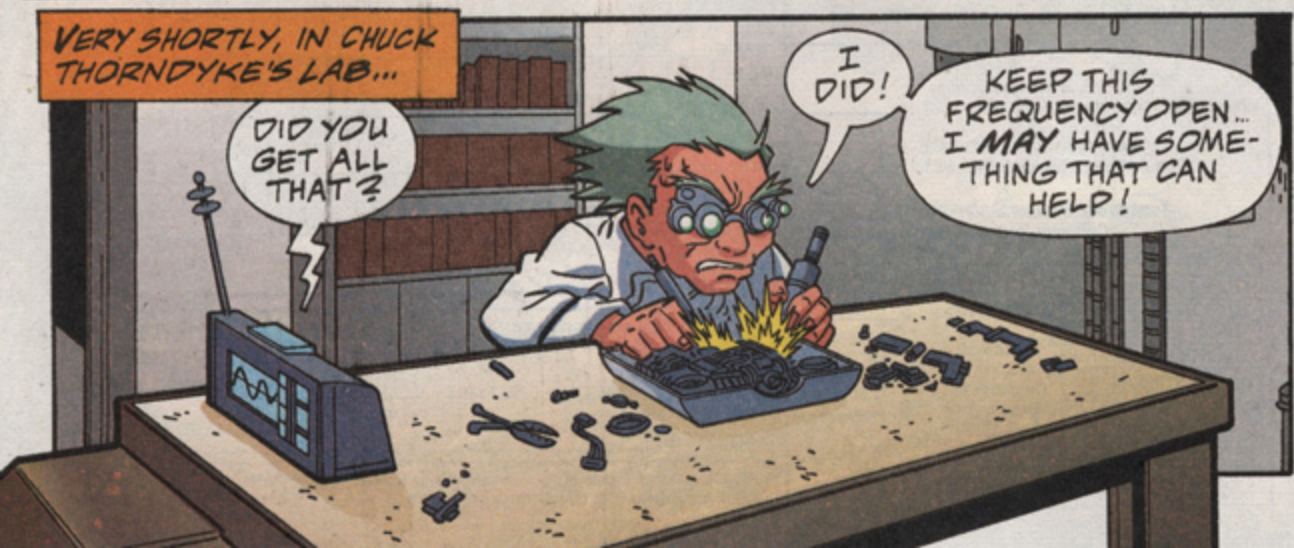
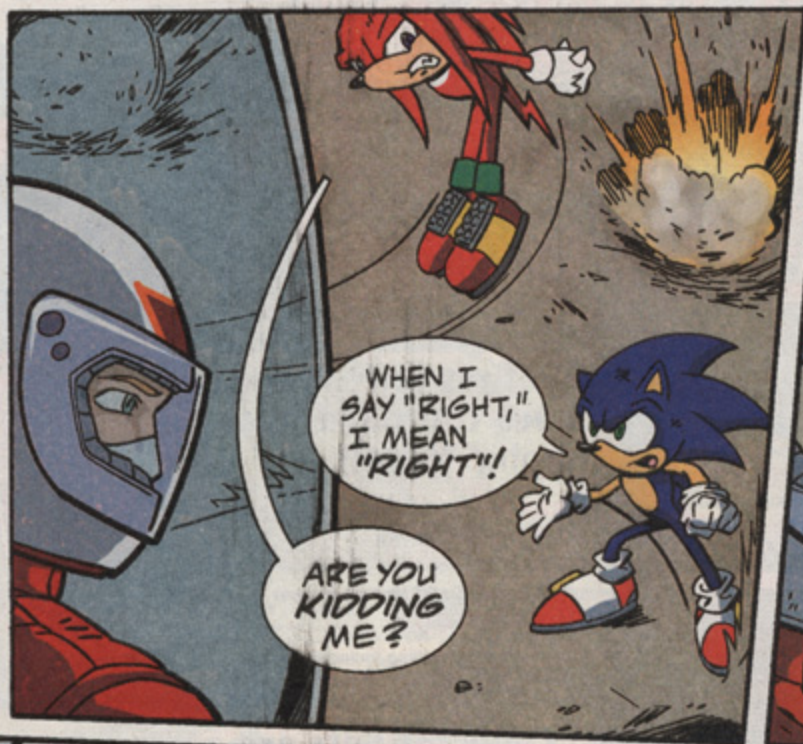
W-CHRR!



BA-DA-BA-
BOOM!

NOTHING
BEATS A
TWO-FOR-
ONE DEAL!





MEANWHILE, THINGS
AREN'T GOING TOO
WELL FOR OUR
OTHER HEROES...

AT LAST, THE
PERFECT DESIGN
TO STOMP
SONIC FLAT!

EGGMAN-POWERED
BRILLIANCE! AND
IT GETS GREAT
MILEAGE, TOO!

CAN YOU
PLEASE NOT
TALK SO MUCH, DOC?

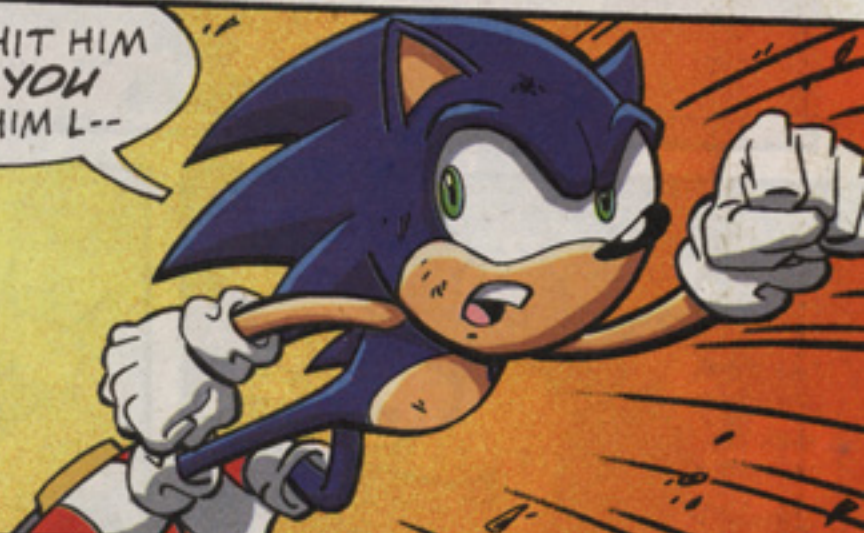
QUIT
EGGING HIM ON
AND LET'S TAKE THIS 'BOT OUT!

"EGGING"--
GOOD ONE,
KNUX!

UGH...!



I'LL HIT HIM
HIGH, YOU
HIT HIM L--



YOU TWO REALLY SHOULD
PRACTICE THIS SORT OF
THING MORE OFTEN!



--OWWWW!

THIS NEGATOR SIGNAL
WILL STOP THE ROBOT
COLD-- BUT
ONLY FOR A
SECOND, AND
THERE'S A
RISK TO
YOU, SAM--



--SINCE
IT WILL HAVE
TO BROADCAST
THROUGH
YOUR WRIST
RADIO--

I'LL TAKE
THE RISK!
DO IT!





YOU'VE RUN YOUR LAST RACE, SONIC!

NOT IF I CAN HELP IT!

Ohhh...



THEY'RE PLAYING YOUR SONG, EGG-MAN!



--ZZK--
WHAT?!

HE DID IT! NOW,
WE JUST HAVE TO FINISH
IT...

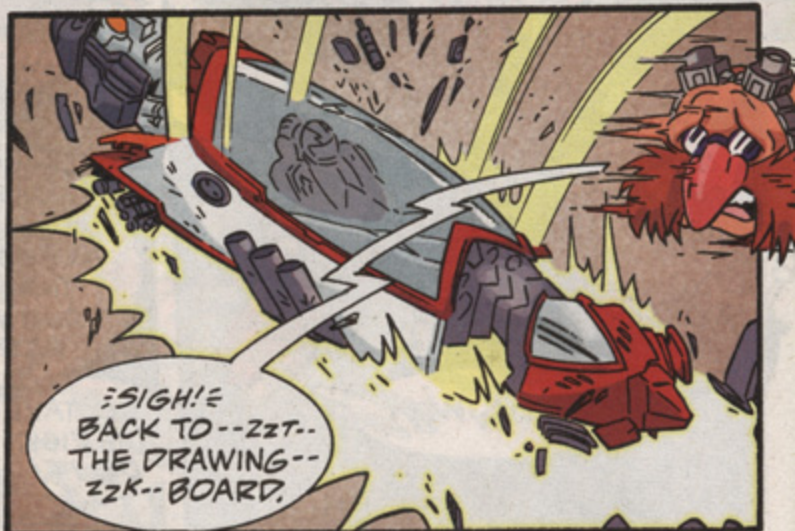
...TOGETHER!

JUST BE CAREFUL,
SAM'S STILL IN THERE!



I'LL GO
BOTTOMS-
UP!

AND I'LL
TAKE IT TOP-
DOWN!



!SIGH!
BACK TO--ZZT--
THE DRAWING--
ZZK--BOARD.

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